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DIGITAL MAPS OF SMALL TOWN AND CITIES NO
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government is contemplating on preparing digital maps of small towns and cities of the entire country with the help of satellites, for improving the administration, basic infrastructure and planning;

(b) if so, the details of the plan and the manner in which the scheme is likely to be advantageous to the people;

(c) the amount earmarked for the said work; and

(d) the names of States alongwith the number of cities and small towns proposed to be included in the initial stage of this scheme?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a)&(b): Ministry of Urban Development has launched National Urban Information System (NUIS) Scheme in March, 2006. Main objective of the scheme is to develop attribute and spatial information base for various levels of urban planning, using modern data sources to develop Standards for urban indices and capacity building. NUIS Scheme comprises two components:
(i) Urban Spatial Information System (USIS) to meet spatial requirements of urban planning, and
(ii) National Urban Databank and Indicators (NUDB&I) to develop town level urban database. This Scheme covers 137 towns/cities in the country.

The NUIS Scheme is to establish a comprehensive information system for planning, development and management of urban local bodies. Digital maps and GIS database would be useful for preparation of
(i) Master Plans,
(ii) Zonal Plans,

(iii) Utility Plans and
(iv) detailed town planning schemes. Digital information will also be useful for infrastructure development, disaster management, environmental monitoring, and natural resources management etc.

(c): Total estimated cost for implementation of the NUIS Scheme in 137 cities/towns is Rs.68.28 Crore.

(d): In the first Phase of the scheme,137 towns and cities are being covered under NUIS Scheme. State-wise number of cities and towns to be covered under the scheme are:

STATE	NUMBER OF CITIES/TOWNS
Andhra Pradesh	6
Arunachal Pradesh	2
Assam	5
Bihar	5
Chhattisgarh	5
Goa	5
Gujarat	6
Haryana	5
Himachal Pradesh	5
Jammu & Kashmir	5
Jharkhand	5
Karnataka	6
Kerala	5
Madhya Pradesh	6
Maharashtra	6
Manipur	2
Meghalaya	2

Mizoram	2	
Nagaland	2	
Orissa	6	
Punjab	6	
Rajasthan	6	
Sikkim	2	
Tamil Nadu	6	
Tripura	2	
Uttar Pradesh	6	
Uttaranchal	5	
West Bengal	6	
Union Territories (UTs)	7	(One for each UT)